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A BILL FOR

1 An Act providing for the adjustment of state foundation aid
2 amounts payable to school districts based on a district's
3 advanced placement program.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 257.7, subsection 1, Code 2011, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 1. *Budgets.* School districts are subject to chapter 24.
4 The authorized expenditures of a school district during a base
5 year shall not exceed the lesser of the budget for that year
6 certified under section 24.17 plus any allowable amendments
7 permitted in this section, or the authorized budget, which is
8 the sum of the combined district cost for that year including
9 any adjustments required by section 257.16B, the actual
10 miscellaneous income received for that year, and the actual
11 unspent balance from the preceding year.

12 Sec. 2. Section 257.10, subsection 8, paragraph a, Code
13 2011, is amended to read as follows:

14 a. (1) Combined district cost is the sum of the regular
15 program district cost per pupil multiplied by the weighted
16 enrollment, the special education support services district
17 cost, the total teacher salary supplement district cost, the
18 total professional development supplement district cost, and
19 the total early intervention supplement district cost, plus the
20 sum of the additional district cost allocated to the district
21 to fund media services and educational services provided
22 through the area education agency, the area education agency
23 total teacher salary supplement district cost and the area
24 education agency total professional development supplement
25 district cost.

26 (2) For budget years beginning on or after July 1, 2014,
27 each school district's combined district cost for the purposes
28 of determining a school district's authorized expenditures
29 under section 257.7 shall be adjusted to reflect the adjustment
30 to the school district's state foundation aid under section
31 257.16B.

32 Sec. 3. NEW SECTION. 257.16B State foundation aid
33 adjustment — advanced placement students.

34 1. For budget years beginning on or after July 1, 2014, the
35 department of management shall, following the determination of

1 the total amount of state foundation aid payable to each school
2 district pursuant to section 257.16, subsection 1, adjust the
3 total amount of state foundation aid payable to each school
4 district as follows:

5 a. Each school district's total amount of state foundation
6 aid shall be reduced by an amount equal to the school
7 district's weighted enrollment divided by the total statewide
8 weighted enrollment, and then multiplied by fifteen million
9 dollars.

10 b. Following the reduction in paragraph "a", each school
11 district's resulting total amount of state foundation aid shall
12 be increased by an amount equal to the school district's total
13 number of advanced placement students divided by the total
14 number of advanced placement students in the state, and then
15 multiplied by fifteen million dollars.

16 2. The department of management shall notify each school
17 district of the amount of the adjustment to state foundation
18 aid under this section. Except for the adjustment to a
19 school district's combined district cost for the purposes
20 of determining a school district's authorized expenditures
21 under section 257.7, this section shall not result in the
22 recalculation of other state aid amounts or the recalculation
23 of any property tax levy for the budget year.

24 3. For purposes of this section, "*advanced placement*
25 *student*" means a student who was enrolled in the school
26 district during the school year preceding the base year, who
27 was enrolled in one or more advanced placement courses during
28 such school year as provided under section 261E.4, and who also
29 achieved a score on the advanced placement examination for
30 at least one such course of three or higher on the advanced
31 placement five-point scale.

32 4. The department of education shall adopt rules under
33 chapter 17A necessary to implement this section, including
34 rules that prescribe all necessary reporting requirements for
35 school districts.

1 EXPLANATION

2 This bill provides for an adjustment of state foundation
3 aid amounts to school districts based on participation in a
4 district's advanced placement program.

5 Under the bill, for budget years beginning on or after July
6 1, 2014, the department of management is required to adjust
7 the total amount of state foundation aid payable to each
8 school district under the school foundation funding formula.
9 Each school district's total amount of state foundation aid
10 is first reduced by an amount equal to the school district's
11 weighted enrollment divided by the total statewide weighted
12 enrollment, and then multiplied by \$15 million. Each school
13 district's resulting total amount of state foundation aid is
14 then increased by an amount equal to the school district's
15 total number of advanced placement students divided by the
16 total number of advanced placement students in the state, and
17 then multiplied by \$15 million.

18 The bill defines "advanced placement student" to mean a
19 student who was enrolled in the school district during the
20 school year preceding the base year, who was enrolled in one
21 or more advanced placement courses during such school year
22 through direct instruction on-site, collaboration with another
23 school district, or through the online Iowa advanced placement
24 academy, and who also achieved a score on the advanced
25 placement examination for at least one such course of three or
26 higher on the advanced placement five-point scale.

27 The bill includes a requirement that each school district
28 be notified of the adjustments made under the bill and
29 states that except for the adjustment to a school district's
30 combined district cost for the purposes of determining a school
31 district's authorized expenditures under Code section 257.7,
32 the adjustments to state foundation aid do not result in the
33 recalculation of other state aid amounts or the recalculation
34 of any property tax levy for the budget year.

35 The bill requires the department of education to adopt

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2 bill, including rules that prescribe all necessary reporting
3 requirements for school districts.